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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Jason S. Uhlenhake
YOKO HIROSUGI, et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2853
Application No.: 10/766,870)	
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Filed: January 30, 2004)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING)	
APPARATUS AND METHOD	:	
OF CONTROLLING SAME)	
AND INFORMATION	:	
PROCESSING APPARATUS)	
AND METHOD	:	September 8, 2006

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination of the above-identified application for which a Request For Continued Examination has been filed, and in response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2006, the period for response to which having been extended to October 5, 2006 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time with fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows.